

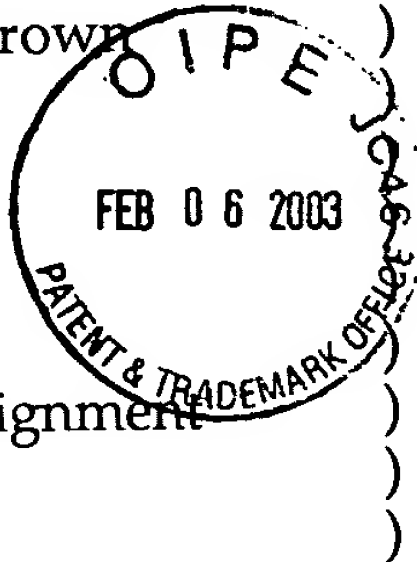
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Guy Peter Bryan-Brown

Application No: 09/529,159

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For: "Liquid Crystal Device Alignment"



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Examiner: Jeanne A. Di Grazio

Re: RESPONSE

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated September 30, 2002. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the prosecution history of the subject application without prejudice.

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In The Claims

Please replace currently pending claims 1, 13, 18, 33 and 44 with amended claims 1, 13, 18, 33 and 44. Please cancel currently pending claims 2 and 45 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please amend currently pending claims 4-12, 13-18, 20, 21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50. The amendments in the claims are set forth in the enclosed Appendix A. (Appendix B which is enclosed herewith shows how currently pending claims 1, 4-12, 13-18, 20-21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50 were amended to produce amended claims 1, 4-12, 13-18, 20, 21, 25, 29, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 41, 44 and 47-50 in Appendix A. In Appendix B the portions being added are underlined and the portions being deleted are enclosed in brackets.)

Priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 & 120

In item 13 of the Summary to the Office Action the Examiner objects that the certified